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Antonyms

malice	slovenly	mandatory	reverence	posterity
kindness	immaculate	unnecessary	disrespect	ancestors

AN **ANTONYM** IS A WORD THAT MEANS THE OPPOSITE OF ANOTHER WORD.

Malice is ill will.

When you show **kindness**, you act in a considerate way.

Slovenly means "messy and dirty."

If you are **immaculate**, you are very clean.

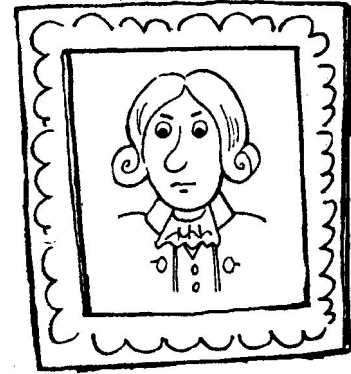
Something that is **mandatory** is required.

Something that is **unnecessary** isn't needed.

Reverence means "deep respect."

If someone shows **disrespect**, that person acts rudely.

Posterity refers to generations of the future.



Ancestors are people in your family from whom you are descended.

A. Read the word in the first column. Find and circle the word in the row that is an antonym.

1. unnecessary	needless	unfulfilled	needed
2. slovenly	slowly	softly	neat
3. ancestors	antecedents	descendants	relatives
4. disrespect	carelessness	respect	impoliteness
5. posterity	forefathers	progeny	possibility

B. Read the word in the first column. Circle the word in the row that is an antonym, and underline the word that is a synonym.

1. reverence	reverend	veneration	discourtesy
2. kindness	idleness	consideration	meanness
3. immaculate	unsoiled	unkempt	disruptive
4. malice	spite	hunger	love
5. mandatory	unneeded	obligatory	tolerant

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A. Use what you know. write the best word to complete each sentence.

1. The doctor showed great gentleness and _ _ _ _ _ while treating the confused man.
2. At training camp, a swim before breakfast was a _ _ _ _ _ exercise.
3. The rusty, abandoned cars in the yard gave the place a _ _ _ _ _ look.
4. Mom said that a new shirt was _ _ _ _ _ because Dennis had plenty of shirts.
5. The students made family trees and listed their _ _ _ _ _ on them.
6. Thlking during a play is a sign of _ _ _ _ _ to the actors and other members of the audience.
7. In her crisp uniform, the nurse looked neat and _ _ _ _ _
8. "I hope my work will be read by _ _ _ _ _," the author told the interviewer.
9. The followers spoke with great _ _ _ _ _ for their beloved leader.
10. The demonstrators were angry and showed _ _ _ _ _ toward their opposition.

B. Read each question. Choose the best answer.

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| 1. Who inherits? | <input type="radio"/> posterity | <input type="radio"/> ancestors | <input type="radio"/> contemporaries |
| 2. Who shows malice? | <input type="radio"/> friend | <input type="radio"/> acquaintance | <input type="radio"/> enemy |
| 3. What's unnecessary? | <input type="radio"/> eating | <input type="radio"/> sleeping | <input type="radio"/> teasing |
| 4. What does a boor show? | <input type="radio"/> reverence | <input type="radio"/> disrespect | <input type="radio"/> manners |

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write a letter of advice to be read by posterity. Use at least three vocabulary words.